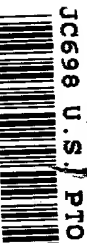


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Re: Application of Seiji UMEMOTO  
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Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including thirty-four (34) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, three (3) sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement and PTO form 1449, and Proprietary Information Disclosure Statement.

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Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from November 08, 2000 based on Japanese Patent Application No. P2000-340416. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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